WI-302 Monmouth Quantico vicinity Private

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1.	Historic Period Theme(s):	Archit	ecture	
2.	Geographic Orientation:	Easter	n Shore	
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4.	Resource Type(s):	Single	-family dwelling	

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name	Mr. and	Mrs. Paul Graf Y	oungk, III	
street & number	6313 Che	rry Walk Road	telephone no	0.:
city, town	Quantico	state	and zip code MD	21856
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Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The two-story house that stands on the property known as "Monmouth" is located at 6313 Cherry Walk Road on the west side of Quantico, Wicomico County, Maryland. The house faces south with the gable roof oriented on an east/west axis.

Dating to the second quarter of the nineteenth century and probably around 1840, the two-story, three-part, stepped frame house is supported by a new brick foundation, and it is covered by a series of medium to steep pitched asphalt shingle roofs. The house is currently being reworked, and the exterior will be clad with a beaded vinyl siding that will cover the plain exterior weatherboards. The old weatherboards appear to be original to the house and are fastened with mature cut nails. Standing behind the house is a single story gable roofed frame smokehouse dating from the second quarter of the nineteenth century as well. A turn of the twentieth century corn crib and a second corn crib converted to a storage building stand behind the smokehouse.

The south (main) facade is an asymmetrical elevation which defines the three-part house. The main block is a two-story, three-bay, side hall/parlor house that extends to the west with a two-story, one-room plan center section that connects a single story one-room plan kitchen. The center section was originally a single story or story-and-a-half structure that was raised during the early twentieth century to a two-story height. The first floor of the main block is defined by a side entrance and flanking nine-over-six sash windows. The two-panel front door is fitted with ogee inset panel moldings, and a multi-pane transom is located overhead. The adjacent nine-over-six sash windows are framed by narrow beaded edge surrounds fitted with nineteenth century shutter hinges. The second floor is lighted by three six-over-six sash windows framed by narrow beaded edge surrounds. Trimming the base of the roof is a boxed cornice accented with a beveled edge bed molding typical of the 1840s. The front wall of the center section is a three-bay facade with a former center entrance flanked by six-over-six sash windows. There is a distinct difference in the weatherboards that cover the first floor in contrast to those that cover the second floor. Original six-over-six sash windows light the first and second floors. The base of the roof is trimmed by a boxed cornice. Rising through the middle of the main block and the center section is an interior brick chimney finished with a plain cap. The south elevation of the single story kitchen is a two bay facade with a partially glazed front door flanked by a single six-over-six sash window to the left. The weatherboards are continuous across the front of the house.

The west gable end of the kitchen wing has a large plywood patch in the center to mark the former location of the exterior corbelled base chimney stack. A clear indication of the position of the single flue chimney stack is evident on the gable end. A single six-over-six sash window marks the wall space to the right of the former chimney stack, and small four-pane windows light the attic.

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Due to the large amount of original second quarter of the nineteenth century interior fabric and the stepped form of the house, it deserves listing in *Category A*, which identifies buildings of high architectural and historical significance.

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7.1 DESCRIPTION
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The east gable end of the main block is a single room deep with a modern shed roofed utility building being attached under the level of the second floor windows. Otherwise, the first floor is a plain weatherboard wall, and the second floor is pierced by a pair of six-over-six sash windows framed by beaded edge surrounds. The attic is pierced by a pair of sash windows. New beaded edge corner boards have been attached to the house in preparation for an application of beaded siding. Decorative end boards for the cornice have been attached as well.

The north side of the main block is defined by the side entrance and a single nine-over-six sash window. The two-panel front door is accented with an ogee inset panel molding, and the entrance is topped by a multi-light transom of rectangular shaped panes set in staggered rows. The second floor is lighted by a pair of six-over-six sash windows and the base of the roof is finished with a boxed cornice that features a mid nineteenth century bed molding. Six-over-six sash windows mark the center section on the first and second floors, and a former corner board on the north side of the weatherboarded wall indicates the former single-story or story-and-a-half height of the center portion. The one-room plan kitchen is defined by two bays on the south side with a partially glazed door flanked by a six-over-six sash window. The west gable end of the kitchen has a large plywood patch in the center of the wall, which indicates the former position of the exterior brick chimney. The gable end is flush and finished with a plain bargeboard.

The north side of the kitchen wing is covered by a shed roofed addition, which shelters a rear entrance filled with a two-panel Greek Revival door.

The interior has survived with much of its second quarter of the nineteenth century Federal/Greek Revival woodwork intact. The side hall is dominated by the original staircase, which rises against the east wall. A boldly turned newel post and a series of rectangular balusters support a circular profile handrail. The area under the stringer is finished with a horizontal board rustication similar to the James Jones house in Quantico (WI-25). A two-panel door opens into the stair closet. The doorways are framed by plain corner block surrounds common to the second quarter of the nineteenth century. The perimeter of the hall is fitted with baseboard molding with a simple stepped profile. A later chair rail molding has been introduced into the entrance hall.

A two-panel Greek Revival door opens into the parlor, which features a Greek Revival mantel centered on the opposite wall. Tapered pilasters rise to a plain frieze, which is topped by a thick board mantel shelf. Plain corner block surrounds frame doorways on each side of the fireplace. The doorway on the right (north) has been blocked up and converted to a bookcase. Mid nineteenth century chair rail and the simple stepped baseboard trims the perimeter of the room.

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7.2 DESCRIPTION
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Quantico, Wicomico County, Maryland

The second floor of the main block is divided in the same manner as the first floor with a side hall and flanking bedroom. A small additional room is partitioned at the front end of the hall. The circular profile handrail rises to a slender, square sectioned landing post which is capped by a shallow relief pyramidal cap. Fixed against the interior hall partition is an enclosed attic staircase accessed through a single panel door. Plain corner block surrounds frame the door openings. The bedroom is entered through a two-panel Greek Revival door.

The attic of the main house is unfinished. The pairs of common rafters are fastened at each peak with a mortise and tenon joint, and the rafters are incised with Roman numerals. Yellow pine flooring remains in place and is fastened with mature cut nails. Small openings in the west gable end, one a former window, provides entrance into the attic of the center section. The framing and roof materials all date to the mid twentieth century.

The interior of the center section has been altered with the removal of the finish features around the fireplace. The brick stack has been exposed. A later enclosed staircase dating to the mid twentieth century has been added to the northwest corner. The second floor is divided into a bedroom and bathroom and small hall connecting the center section to the main block.

The interior of the kitchen has been remodeled to serve modern needs. The only original finish feature that survives is the back door, which follows the two-panel Greek Revival design found in the other sections of the house. The loft space above the kitchen is entered by way of a door from the center section bedroom. This two-panel door was probably reused from a different location.

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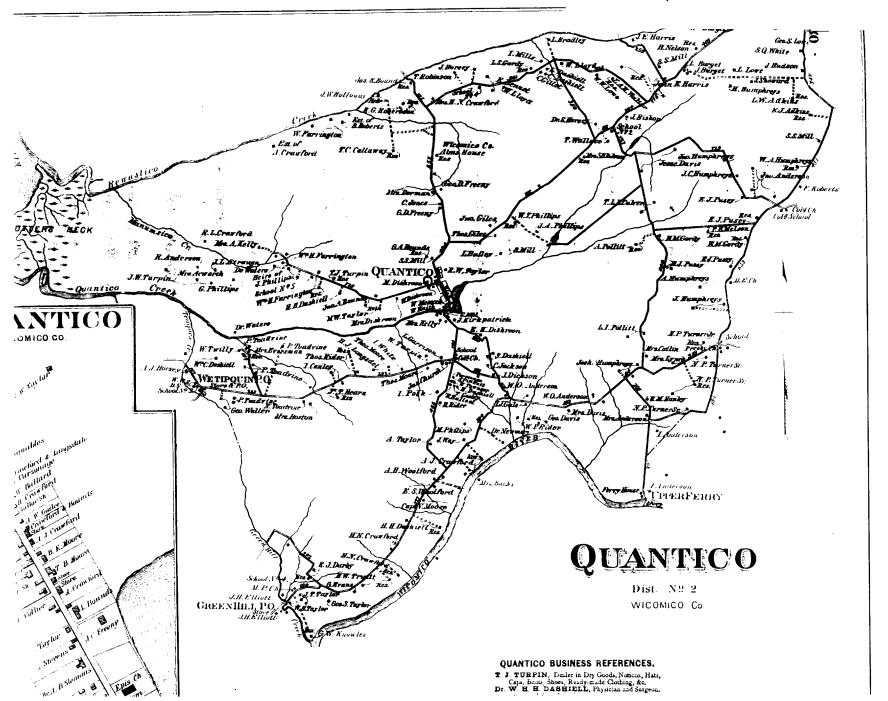
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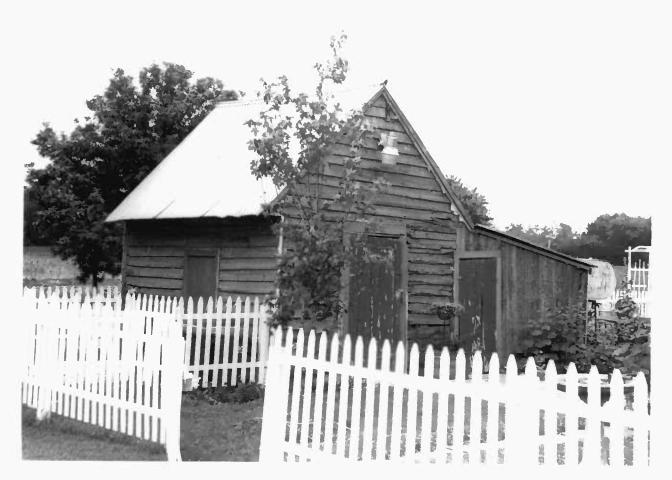
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